IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

HELIOS STREAMING, LLC, and IDEAHUB, INC.,	
Plaintiffs,	Civil Action No.
V.	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
VUDU, INC.,	JUNI TRIAL DEMANDED
Defendant.	

COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Plaintiffs Helios Streaming, LLC ("Helios"), and Ideahub, Inc. ("Ideahub"), (collectively "Plaintiffs"), for its Complaint against Defendant Vudu, Inc. (referred to herein as "Vudu" or "Defendant"), alleges the following:

NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This is an action for patent infringement arising under the Patent Laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq*.

THE PARTIES

- 2. Plaintiff Helios is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware with a place of business at 9880 Irvine Center Drive, Suite 200, Irvine, California 92618.
- 3. Plaintiff Ideahub is a corporation organized under the laws of the Republic of Korea with a place of business at 7 Heolleungro, Seocho-gu, Seoul 06792 Republic of Korea.
- 4. Upon information and belief, Vudu is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware with a place of business at 600 W. California Ave., Sunnyvale, California 94086. Upon information and belief, Vudu sells, offers to sell, and/or uses products and services

throughout the United States, including in this judicial district, and introduces infringing products and services into the stream of commerce knowing that they would be sold and/or used in this judicial district and elsewhere in the United States.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 5. This is an action for patent infringement arising under the Patent Laws of the United States, Title 35 of the United States Code.
 - 6. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).
 - 7. Venue is proper in this judicial district under 28 U.S.C. § 1400(b).
- 8. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Vudu under the laws of the State of Delaware, due at least to their substantial business in Delaware and in this judicial district, directly or through intermediaries, including: (i) at least a portion of the infringements alleged herein; and (ii) regularly doing or soliciting business, engaging in other persistent courses of conduct and/or deriving substantial revenue from goods and services provided to individuals in the State of Delaware. Further, this Court has personal jurisdiction and proper authority to exercise venue over Vudu because it is incorporated in Delaware and by doing so has purposely availed itself of the privileges and benefits of the laws of the State of Delaware.

BACKGROUND

- 9. This action involves eleven patents, described in detail in the counts below (collectively, the "Asserted Patents").
- 10. U.S. Patent No. 10,027,736 ("the '736 patent") claims technologies for providing streaming Hypertext Transfer Protocol ("HTTP") media content using adaptive streaming methods that were developed in the early 2010s by inventors Truong Cong Thang, Jin Young Lee, Seong Jun Bae, Jung Won Kang, Soon Heung Jung, Sang Taick Park, Won Ryu, and Jae Gon Kim.

- 11. U.S. Patent No. 10,270,830 ("the '830 patent") claims technologies for providing adaptive HTTP streaming services using metadata of media content that were developed in the early 2010s by inventors Truong Cong Thang and Jin Young Lee.
- 12. U.S. Patent No. 10,277,660 ("the '660 patent") claims technologies for providing adaptive HTTP streaming services using metadata of media content that were developed in the early 2010s by inventors Truong Cong Thang, Jin Young Lee, Seong Jun Bae, Jung Won Kang, Soon Heung Jung, Sang Taick Park, Won Ryu, and Jae Gon Kim.
- 13. U.S. Patent No. 10,313,414 ("the '414 patent") claims technologies for providing adaptive HTTP streaming services using metadata of media content that were developed in the early 2010s by inventors Truong Cong Thang and Jin Young Lee.
- 14. U.S. Patent No. 10,356,145 ("the '145 patent") claims technologies for providing adaptive HTTP streaming services using metadata of media content that were developed in the early 2010s by inventors Truong Cong Thang, Jin Young Lee, Seong Jun Bae, Jung Won Kang, Soon Heung Jung, Sang Taick Park, and Won Ryu.
- 15. U.S. Patent No. 10,362,130 ("the '130 patent") claims technologies for providing adaptive HTTP streaming services using metadata of media content that were developed in the early 2010s by inventors Truong Cong Thang, Jin Young Lee, Seong Jun Bae, Jung Won Kang, Soon Heung Jung, Sang Taick Park, Won Ryu, and Jae Gon Kim.
- 16. U.S. Patent No. 10,375,373 ("the '373 patent") claims technologies for providing adaptive HTTP streaming services using metadata of media content that were developed in the early 2010s by inventors Jin Young Lee and Nam Ho Hur.
- 17. U.S. Patent No. 8,645,562 ("the '562 patent") claims technologies for providing adaptive HTTP streaming services using metadata of media content that were developed in the

early 2010s by inventors Truong Cong Thang, Jin Young Lee, Seong Jun Bae, Jung Won Kang, Soon Heung Jung, Sang Taick Park, Won Ryu, and Jae Gon Kim.

- 18. U.S. Patent No. 8,909,805 ("the '805 patent") claims technologies for providing adaptive HTTP streaming services using metadata of media content that were developed in the early 2010s by inventors Truong Cong Thang, Jin Young Lee, Seong Jun Bae, Jung Won Kang, Soon Heung Jung, Sang Taick Park, Won Ryu, and Jae Gon Kim.
- 19. U.S. Patent No. 9,325,558 ("the '558 patent") claims technologies for providing adaptive HTTP streaming services using metadata of media content that were developed in the early 2010s by inventors Truong Cong Thang, Jin Young Lee, Seong Jun Bae, Jung Won Kang, Soon Heung Jung, Sang Taick Park, Won Ryu, and Jae Gon Kim.
- 20. U.S. Patent No. 9,467,493 ("the '493 patent") claims technologies for providing adaptive HTTP streaming services using metadata of media content that were developed in the early 2010s by inventors Truong Cong Thang, Jin Young Lee, Seong Jun Bae, Jung Won Kang, Soon Heung Jung, Sang Taick Park, Won Ryu, and Jae Gon Kim.
- 21. The Asserted Patents were mostly invented by researchers of the Electronics and Telecommunications Research Institute ("ETRI"), the national leader in Korea in the research and development of information technologies. Since its inception in 1976, ETRI has developed new technologies in 4M DRAM computer memory, CDMA and 4G LTE cellular phone communications, LCD displays, Video Coding, and Media Transport & Delivery, the technology at issue in this case. ETRI employs over 1,800 research/technical staff, of whom 94% hold a post-graduate degree and 50% have earned a doctoral degree in their technological field. Over the last five years, ETRI produced 1,524 SCI papers and has 467 standard experts, applied for a total of 16,062 patents, has contributed 7,309 proposals that have been adopted by international

and domestic standard organizations (ISO, IEC, ITU, 3GPP, JTC, IEEE etc.). Dr. Truong Cong Thang and Dr. Jae Gon Kim among the inventors were employees of ETRI and currently Professors in the University of Aizu, Japan, and Korea Aerospace University, respectively.

- 22. The Asserted Patents claim technologies fundamental to Dynamic Adaptive Streaming over HTTP ("DASH"), a media-streaming model for delivering media content.
- 23. DASH technology has been standardized in the ISO/IEC 23009 standards, which were developed and published by the International Organization for Standardization ("ISO") and the International Electrotechnical Commission ("IEC").
- 24. The claimed inventions of the Asserted Patents have been incorporated into the standard for dynamic adaptive streaming delivery of MPEG media over HTTP, ISO/IEC 23009-1:2014, and subsequent versions of this standard (collectively, these standards are referred to throughout as "MPEG-DASH").
- Asserted Patents, facilitate high-quality streaming of media content by breaking media content—a movie, for example—into smaller parts that are each made available at a variety of bitrates. As a user plays back downloaded parts of the media content, the user's device employs an algorithm to select subsequent media parts with the highest possible bitrate that can be downloaded in time for playback without causing delays in the user's viewing and listening experience.
- 26. The MPEG-DASH standard, including the claimed inventions of the Asserted Patents, therefore enables high-quality streaming of media content over the internet delivered from conventional HTTP web servers, which was not previously possible on a large scale with prior art techniques and devices.

- 27. Between approximately June and August of 2018, Plaintiff Ideahub acquired the Asserted Patents.
- 28. In or about August of 2018, Plaintiff Helios obtained an exclusive license to the Asserted Patents.

COUNT I – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 10,027,736

- 29. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs 1 through 28 are incorporated into this First Claim for Relief.
- 30. On July 17, 2018, the '736 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Apparatus and Method for Providing Streaming Content." A true and correct copy of the '736 patent is attached as Exhibit 1.
- 31. Ideahub is the assignee and owner of the right, title, and interest in and to the '736 patent.
- 32. Helios holds the exclusive right to assert all causes of action arising under the '736 patent and the right to collect any remedies for infringement of it.
- 33. Upon information and belief, Vudu has and continues to directly infringe at least claims 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16, and to induce the direct infringement of at least claims 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of the '736 patent by selling, offering to sell, making, using, and/or providing and causing to be used streaming media content in accordance with the MPEG-DASH standard (the "Accused Instrumentalities"), including one or more videos on demand ("VOD") such as those available at https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/home, as set forth in detail in the preliminary and exemplary claim chart attached as Exhibit 2.
- 34. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods for providing media content by a server performed by a processor, the method comprising: receiving a request for a segment of the media content using a URL of the segment from a terminal, the

URL being generated based on the selected BaseURL element; providing the segment to the terminal, wherein the terminal selects a BaseURL element from the multiple BaseURL elements based on the metadata of the media content, wherein the metadata is Media Presentation Description (MPD), wherein the MPD describes one or more periods, wherein the period includes one or more groups, wherein the group includes one or more representation, wherein the representation includes one or more segments of the media content, wherein the receiver receives identical segments that are accessible at multiple locations indicated by URLs resolved with respect to the respective BaseURL elements, and a first BaseURL element among BaseURL elements is used as a base Universal Resource Indicator (URI).

35. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods for receiving media content in a terminal performed by a processor, the method comprising: receiving metadata of media content, the metadata comprising an attribute with multiple BaseURL elements, selecting a BaseURL element from the multiple BaseURL elements; sending a request for a segment of the media content using a URL of the segment to a server, the URL being generated based on the selected BaseURL element; receiving the segment from the server, wherein the metadata is Media Presentation Description (MPD), wherein the MPD describes one or more periods, wherein the period includes one or more groups, wherein the group includes one or more representation, wherein the representation includes one or more segments of the media content, wherein the receiver receives identical segments that are accessible at multiple locations indicated by URLs resolved with respect to the respective BaseURL elements, and a first BaseURL element among the BaseURL elements is used as a base Universal Resource Indicator (URI).

- 36. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities have been used to infringe and continue to directly infringe at least claims 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 of the '736 patent during the pendency of the '736 patent.
- 37. Since at least the time of receiving this Complaint Vudu has had actual notice that it is directly infringing and/or inducing others to infringe the '736 patent.
- 38. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used, marketed, provided to, and/or used by or for each of Defendant's partners, clients, customers, and end users across the country and in this District.
- 39. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving this Complaint Vudu has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claims 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of the '736 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Vudu's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claims 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of the '736 patent.
- 40. In particular, Vudu's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Vudu has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Vudu has had actual knowledge of the '736 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '736 patent since at least the time of receiving this Complaint.
- 41. Helios first notified Vudu of Plaintiffs' DASH patent portfolio and Vudu's infringement of the patents in that portfolio via a letter dated August 23, 2018.

- 42. Helios attempted to contact Vudu about Vudu's infringement of Plaintiffs' DASH patents two additional times over the next month. Vudu responded in or around October 2018 with a short letter stating that Vudu would investigate the matter and respond in due course.
- 43. From October 2018 to March 2019, Helios made several attempts to engage Vudu in good-faith discussion to no avail, including several failed attempts to enter into a standard non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") with Vudu to facilitate free discussion between the parties.
- 44. In approximately late-February 2019, at Vudu's request, Helios promptly provided additional information, namely evidence of the conveyance of an exclusive license from Ideahub to Helios.
- 45. Despite the passage of nearly one year, Vudu has avoided participating in substantive licensing discussions with Helios and continues to infringe and/or to induce the infringement of the patents in Plaintiffs' DASH portfolio.
- 46. On information and belief, Vudu's infringement has been and continues to be willful.
 - 47. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Vudu's infringing activities.

COUNT II – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 10,270,830

- 48. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs 1 through 47 are incorporated into this Second Claim for Relief.
- 49. On April 23, 2019, the '830 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Apparatus and Method for Providing Streaming Content Using Representations." A true and correct copy of the '830 patent is attached as Exhibit 3.
- 50. Ideahub is the assignee and owner of the right, title, and interest in and to the '830 patent.

- 51. Helios holds the exclusive right to assert all causes of action arising under the '830 patent and the right to collect any remedies for infringement of it.
- 52. Upon information and belief, Vudu has and continues to directly infringe at least claims 8, 12, and 13, and to induce the direct infringement of at least claims 1, 5, 6, 15, and 18 of the '830 patent by selling, offering to sell, making, using, and/or providing and causing to be used streaming media content in accordance with the MPEG-DASH standard (the "Accused Instrumentalities"), including one or more videos on demand ("VOD") such as those available at https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/home, as set forth in detail in the preliminary and exemplary claim chart attached as Exhibit 4.
- 53. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods of providing media content performed by a server or multiple servers, comprising: transmitting a Media Presentation Description (MPD) of a media content to a client; receiving a request, from the client, for a segment of the media content; transmitting the media content to the client, wherein the MPD includes one or more periods, wherein each of the periods includes one or more adaptation sets, wherein each of the adaptation sets includes one or more representations, wherein each of the representations includes one or more segments, wherein the MPD includes one or more attributes or elements that are common to each of the periods, each of the adaptation sets, each of the representations, and each of the segments, wherein the period includes one or more attributes or elements that are common to each of the adaptation sets, each of the representations, and each of the segments for that period, wherein the adaptation set includes one or more attributes or elements that are common to each of the representations and each of the segments for that adaptation set, and wherein the representation includes one or more attributes or elements that are common to each of the representation.

- 54. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods of providing media content performed by a DASH (Dynamic Adaptive Streaming over HTTP) client, the method comprising: receiving a Media Presentation Description (MPD) of a media content; and accessing segments of the media content based on information provided by the MPD, wherein the MPD includes one or more periods, wherein each of the periods includes one or more adaptation sets, wherein each of the adaptation sets includes one or more representations, wherein each of the representations includes one or more segments, wherein the MPD includes one or more attributes or elements that are common to each of the periods, each of the adaptation sets, each of the representations, and each of the segments, wherein the period includes one or more attributes or elements that are common to each of the adaptation sets, each of the representations, and each of the segments for that period, wherein the adaptation set includes one or more attributes or elements that are common to each of the representations and each of the segments for that adaptation set, and wherein the representation includes one or more attributes or elements that are common to each of that representation.
- 55. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities have been used to infringe and continue to directly infringe at least claims 1, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13, 15, and 18 of the '830 patent during the pendency of the '830 patent.
- 56. Since at least the time of receiving this Complaint Vudu has had actual notice that it is directly infringing and/or inducing others to infringe the '830 patent.
- 57. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used, marketed, provided to, and/or used by or for each of Defendant's partners, clients, customers, and end users across the country and in this District.

- 58. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving this Complaint, Vudu has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claims 1, 5, 6, 15, and 18 of the '830 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Vudu's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claims 1, 5, 6, 15, and 18 of the '830 patent.
- 59. In particular, Vudu's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Vudu has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Vudu has had actual knowledge of the '830 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '830 patent since at least the time of receiving this Complaint.
- 60. Helios first notified Vudu of Plaintiffs' DASH patent portfolio and Vudu's infringement of the patents in that portfolio via a letter dated August 23, 2018.
- 61. Helios attempted to contact Vudu about Vudu's infringement of Plaintiffs' DASH patents two additional times over the next month. Vudu responded in or around October 2018 with a short letter stating that Vudu would investigate the matter and respond in due course.
- 62. From October 2018 to March 2019, Helios made several attempts to engage Vudu in good-faith discussion to no avail, including several failed attempts to enter into a standard non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") with Vudu to facilitate free discussion between the parties.

- 63. In approximately late-February 2019, at Vudu's request, Helios promptly provided additional information, namely evidence of the conveyance of an exclusive license from Ideahub to Helios.
- 64. Despite the passage of nearly one year, Vudu has avoided participating in substantive licensing discussions with Helios and continues to infringe and/or to induce the infringement of the patents in Plaintiffs' DASH portfolio.
- 65. On information and belief, Vudu's infringement has been and continues to be willful.
 - 66. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Vudu's infringing activities.

COUNT III – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 10,277,660

- 67. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs 1 through 66 are incorporated into this Third Claim for Relief.
- 68. On April 30, 2019, the '660 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Apparatus and Method for Providing Streaming Content." A true and correct copy of the '660 patent is attached as Exhibit 5.
- 69. Ideahub is the assignee and owner of the right, title, and interest in and to the '660 patent.
- 70. Helios holds the exclusive right to assert all causes of action arising under the '660 patent and the right to collect any remedies for infringement of it.
- Upon information and belief, Vudu has and continues to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 20, and 21 and to induce the direct infringement of at least claims 11, 12, 13, 14, and 18 of the '660 patent by selling, offering to sell, making, using, and/or providing and causing to be used streaming media content in accordance with the MPEG-DASH standard (the "Accused Instrumentalities"), including one or more videos on demand ("VOD") such as those

available at https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/home, as set forth in detail in the preliminary and exemplary claim chart attached as Exhibit 6.

- 72. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods for providing a media content performed by a server or multiple servers, comprising: receiving, from a client, a Uniform Resource Locator (URL) request for a segment of the media content based on metadata of the media content, wherein the metadata comprises multiple BaseURL elements and wherein identical segments are accessible at locations indicated by URLs resolved with respect to the multiple BaseURL elements; and sending the requested segment of the media content to the client, wherein the URL of the requested segment is generated based on a selected BaseURL element among the multiple BaseURL elements.
- 73. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods of providing a media content performed by a client, comprising: transmitting to a server, a request for a segment of the media content based on a metadata, wherein the metadata comprises multiple BaseURL elements and wherein identical segments are accessible at locations indicated by URLs resolved with respect to the multiple BaseURL elements; and receiving the requested segment of the media content from the server, wherein the URL of the requested segment is generated based on a selected BaseURL element among the multiple BaseURL elements.
- 74. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities have been used to infringe and continue to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 20, and 21 of the '660 patent during the pendency of the '660 patent.
- 75. Since at least the time of receiving this Complaint Vudu has had actual notice that it is directly infringing and/or inducing others to infringe the '660 patent.

- 76. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used, marketed, provided to, and/or used by or for each of Defendant's partners, clients, customers, and end users across the country and in this District.
- 77. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving this Complaint, Vudu has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claims 11, 12, 13, 14, and 18 of the '660 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Vudu's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claims 11, 12, 13, 14, and 18 of the '660 patent.
- 78. In particular, Vudu's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Vudu has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Vudu has had actual knowledge of the '660 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '660 patent since at least the time of receiving this Complaint.
- 79. Helios first notified Vudu of Plaintiffs' DASH patent portfolio and Vudu's infringement of the patents in that portfolio via a letter dated August 23, 2018.
- 80. Helios attempted to contact Vudu about Vudu's infringement of Plaintiffs' DASH patents two additional times over the next month. Vudu responded in or around October 2018 with a short letter stating that Vudu would investigate the matter and respond in due course.

- 81. From October 2018 to March 2019, Helios made several attempts to engage Vudu in good-faith discussion to no avail, including several failed attempts to enter into a standard non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") with Vudu to facilitate free discussion between the parties.
- 82. In approximately late-February 2019, at Vudu's request, Helios promptly provided additional information, namely evidence of the conveyance of an exclusive license from Ideahub to Helios.
- 83. Despite the passage of nearly one year, Vudu has avoided participating in substantive licensing discussions with Helios and continues to infringe and/or to induce the infringement of the patents in Plaintiffs' DASH portfolio.
- 84. On information and belief, Vudu's infringement has been and continues to be willful.
 - 85. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Vudu's infringing activities.

COUNT IV – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 10,313,414

- 86. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs 1 through 85 are incorporated into this Fourth Claim for Relief.
- 87. On June 4, 2019, the '414 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Apparatus and Method for Providing Streaming Content Using Representations." A true and correct copy of the '414 patent is attached as Exhibit 7.
- 88. Ideahub is the assignee and owner of the right, title, and interest in and to the '414 patent.
- 89. Helios holds the exclusive right to assert all causes of action arising under the '414 patent and the right to collect any remedies for infringement of it.

- 90. Upon information and belief, Vudu has and continues to directly infringe at least claims 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, and 20 and to induce the direct infringement of at least claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of the '414 patent by selling, offering to sell, making, using, and/or providing and causing to be used streaming media content in accordance with the MPEG-DASH standard (the "Accused Instrumentalities"), including one or more videos on demand ("VOD") such as those available at https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/home, as set forth in detail in the preliminary and exemplary claim chart attached as Exhibit 8.
- 91. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods of providing media content performed by a server or multiple servers, comprising: transmitting a Media Presentation Description (MPD) of a media content to a client; receiving a request, from the client, for a segment of the media content; transmitting the media content to the client, wherein the MPD includes one or more periods, wherein each of the periods includes one or more adaptation sets, wherein each of the adaptation sets includes one or more representations, wherein each of the representations includes one or more segments, wherein the MPD, the period, the adaptation set, the representation or the segments includes one or more attributes or elements, and, wherein the adaptation set includes one or more attributes or elements that are common to each of the representations for that adaptation set.
- 92. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods of providing media content performed by a DASH (Dynamic Adaptive Streaming over HTTP) client, the method comprising: receiving a Media Presentation Description (MPD) of a media content; and accessing segments of the media content based on information provided by the MPD, wherein the MPD includes one or more periods, wherein each of the periods includes one or more adaptation sets, wherein each of the adaptation sets includes one or more

representations, wherein each of the representations includes one or more segments, wherein the MPD, the period, the adaptation set, the representation, or the segments includes one or more attributes or elements, and wherein the adaptation set includes one or more attributes or elements that are common to each of the representations for that adaptation set.

- 93. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities have been used to infringe and continue to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, and 20 of the '414 patent during the pendency of the '414 patent.
- 94. Since at least the time of receiving this Complaint Vudu has had actual notice that it is directly infringing and/or inducing the infringement of the '414 patent.
- 95. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used, marketed, provided to, and/or used by or for each of Defendant's partners, clients, customers, and end users across the country and in this District.
- 96. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving this Complaint, Vudu has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of the '414 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Vudu's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of the '414 patent.
- 97. In particular, Vudu's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Vudu has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Vudu has had actual knowledge of the '414 patent and that its

acts were inducing infringement of the '414 patent since at least the time of receiving this Complaint.

- 98. Helios first notified Vudu of Plaintiffs' DASH patent portfolio and Vudu's infringement of the patents in that portfolio via a letter dated August 23, 2018.
- 99. Helios attempted to contact Vudu about Vudu's infringement of Plaintiffs' DASH patents two additional times over the next month. Vudu responded in or around October 2018 with a short letter stating that Vudu would investigate the matter and respond in due course.
- 100. From October 2018 to March 2019, Helios made several attempts to engage Vudu in good-faith discussion to no avail, including several failed attempts to enter into a standard non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") with Vudu to facilitate free discussion between the parties.
- 101. In approximately late-February 2019, at Vudu's request, Helios promptly provided additional information, namely evidence of the conveyance of an exclusive license from Ideahub to Helios.
- 102. Despite the passage of nearly one year, Vudu has avoided participating in substantive licensing discussions with Helios and continues to infringe and/or to induce the infringement of the patents in Plaintiffs' DASH portfolio.
- 103. On information and belief, Vudu's infringement has been and continues to be willful.
 - 104. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Vudu's infringing activities.

COUNT V – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 10,356,145

105. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs 1 through 104 are incorporated into this Fifth Claim for Relief.

- 106. On July 16, 2019, the '145 Patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Method and Device for Providing Streaming Content." A true and correct copy of the '145 patent is attached as Exhibit 9.
- 107. Ideahub is the assignee and owner of the right, title, and interest in and to the '145 patent.
- 108. Helios holds the exclusive right to assert all causes of action arising under the '145 patent and the right to collect any remedies for infringement of it.
- 109. Upon information and belief, Vudu has and continues to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16, and to induce the direct infringement of at least claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of the '145 patent by selling, offering to sell, making, using, and/or providing and causing to be used streaming media content (the "Accused Instrumentalities"), including one or more videos on demand ("VOD") such as those available at https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/home, as set forth in detail in the preliminary and exemplary claim chart attached as Exhibit 10.
- 110. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods of providing media content performed by a server or multiple servers, comprising: receiving a request for the media content from a client based on a media presentation description (MPD) with respect to the media content; and providing a segment of media content through streaming to the client in response to the request, wherein the MPD includes one or more periods, wherein the period includes one or more groups, wherein the group includes one or more representations, wherein the representation includes one or more segments, wherein the group includes one or more group elements for each of the groups, and wherein a group element provides a summary of values of all representations with a group.

- 111. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods of providing media content performed by a client, the method comprising: transmitting a request for the media content to a server based on a media presentation description (MPD) with respect to the media content; and receiving a segment of media content through streaming from the server in response to the request, wherein the MPD includes one or more periods, wherein the period includes one or more groups, wherein the group includes one or more representations, wherein the representation includes one or more segments, wherein the group includes one or more group elements for each of the groups, and wherein a group element provides a summary of values of all representations within a group.
- 112. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities have been used to infringe and continue to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 of the '145 patent during the pendency of the '145 patent.
- 113. Since at least the time of receiving this Complaint Vudu has had actual notice that it is directly infringing and/or inducing the infringement of the '145 patent.
- 114. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used, marketed, provided to, and/or used by or for each of Defendant's partners, clients, customers, and end users across the country and in this District.
- 115. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving this Complaint, Vudu has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of the '145 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Vudu's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of the '145 patent.

- 116. In particular, Vudu's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Vudu has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Vudu has had actual knowledge of the '145 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '145 patent since at least the time of receiving this Complaint.
- 117. Helios first notified Vudu of Plaintiffs' DASH patent portfolio and Vudu's infringement of the patents in that portfolio via a letter dated August 23, 2018.
- 118. Helios attempted to contact Vudu about Vudu's infringement of Plaintiffs' DASH patents two additional times over the next month. Vudu responded in or around October 2018 with a short letter stating that Vudu would investigate the matter and respond in due course.
- 119. From October 2018 to March 2019, Helios made several attempts to engage Vudu in good-faith discussion to no avail, including several failed attempts to enter into a standard non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") with Vudu to facilitate free discussion between the parties.
- 120. In approximately late-February 2019, at Vudu's request, Helios promptly provided additional information, namely evidence of the conveyance of an exclusive license from Ideahub to Helios.
- 121. Despite the passage of nearly one year, Vudu has avoided participating in substantive licensing discussions with Helios and continues to infringe and/or to induce the infringement of the patents in Plaintiffs' DASH portfolio.
- 122. On information and belief, Vudu's infringement has been and continues to be willful.

123. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Vudu's infringing activities.

COUNT VI – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 10,362,130

- 124. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs 1 through 123 are incorporated into this Sixth Claim for Relief.
- 125. On July 23, 2019, the '130 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Apparatus and Method for Providing Streaming Contents." A true and correct copy of the '130 patent is attached as Exhibit 11.
- 126. Ideahub is the assignee and owner of the right, title, and interest in and to the '130 patent.
- 127. Helios holds the exclusive right to assert all causes of action arising under the '130 patent and the right to collect any remedies for infringement of it.
- 128. Upon information and belief, Vudu has and continues to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 4, and 5 of the '130 patent by selling, offering to sell, making, using, and/or providing and causing to be used streaming media content in accordance with the MPEG-DASH standard (the "Accused Instrumentalities"), including one or more videos on demand ("VOD") such as those available at https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/home, as set forth in detail in the preliminary and exemplary claim chart attached as Exhibit 12.
- 129. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods of providing media content performed by a processor in a server, the method comprising: receiving a request for the media content from a client; transmitting the media to the client based on a Media Presentation Description (MPD) of the media content, wherein the MPD comprises one or more periods, wherein the period comprises one or more groups, wherein the group comprises one or more representations, wherein the representation comprises one or more segments, wherein the representation includes bandwidth attribute related to bandwidth for a hypothetical

constant bitrate channel in bits per second (bps), wherein the client is assured of having enough data continuously playout after buffering for minbuffertime, when the representation is delivered to the client, wherein the segment includes sub-segments indexed by segment index, wherein the MPD includes at least one of (i) frame rate, or (ii) timescale describing the number of time units in one second.

- 130. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities have infringed and continue to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 4, and 5 of the '130 patent during the pendency of the '130 patent.
- 131. Since at least the time of receiving this Complaint Vudu has had actual notice that it is directly infringing and/or inducing the infringement of the '130 patent.
- 132. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used, marketed, provided to, and/or used by or for each of Defendant's partners, clients, customers, and end users across the country and in this District.
- 133. Helios first notified Vudu of Plaintiffs' DASH patent portfolio and Vudu's infringement of the patents in that portfolio via a letter dated August 23, 2018.
- 134. Helios attempted to contact Vudu about Vudu's infringement of Plaintiffs' DASH patents two additional times over the next month. Vudu responded in or around October 2018 with a short letter stating that Vudu would investigate the matter and respond in due course.
- 135. From October 2018 to March 2019, Helios made several attempts to engage Vudu in good-faith discussion to no avail, including several failed attempts to enter into a standard non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") with Vudu to facilitate free discussion between the parties.

- 136. In approximately late-February 2019, at Vudu's request, Helios promptly provided additional information, namely evidence of the conveyance of an exclusive license from Ideahub to Helios.
- 137. Despite the passage of nearly one year, Vudu has avoided participating in substantive licensing discussions with Helios and continues to infringe and/or to induce the infringement of the patents in Plaintiffs' DASH portfolio.
- 138. On information and belief, Vudu's infringement has been and continues to be willful.
 - 139. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Vudu's infringing activities.

COUNT VII – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 10,375,373

- 140. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs 1 through 139 are incorporated into this Seventh Claim for Relief.
- 141. On August 6, 2019, the '373 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Method and Apparatus for Encoding Three-Dimensional (3D) Content." A true and correct copy of the '373 patent is attached as Exhibit 13.
- 142. Ideahub is the assignee and owner of the right, title, and interest in and to the '373 patent.
- 143. Helios holds the exclusive right to assert all causes of action arising under the'373 patent and the right to collect any remedies for infringement of it.
- 144. Upon information and belief, Vudu has and continues to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, and 16, and to induce the direct infringement of at least claims 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, and 24 of the '373 patent by selling, offering to sell, making, using, and/or providing and causing to be used streaming media content in accordance with the MPEG-DASH standard (the "Accused Instrumentalities"), including one or more videos on demand

("VOD") such as those available at https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/home, as set forth in detail in the preliminary and exemplary claim chart attached as Exhibit 14.

- 145. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods of adaptive streaming service performed by a server or multiple servers, the method comprising: receiving a request, from a client, for a segment of a media content based on metadata of the media content, wherein the metadata is a Media Presentation Description (MPD), and wherein the MPD is a description of a media presentation related to the media content; and providing the media content based on the request, wherein the MPD includes at least one period, wherein each period includes at least one adaptation set comprising a media content component, wherein each adaptation set includes at least one representation, wherein each representation includes at least one segment, and wherein the MPD provides information that enables the client to switch from one representation to another representation to adapt to a network condition.
- 146. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities perform methods of providing adaptive streaming services performed by a client, the methods comprising: transmitting a request, to a server or multiple servers, for a segment of a media content based on metadata of the media content, wherein the metadata is a Media Presentation Description (MPD), and wherein the MPD is a description of a media presentation related to the media content; and receiving the media content, based on the request, from the server or multiple servers, wherein the MPD includes at least one period, wherein each period includes at least one adaptation set comprising a media content component, wherein each adaptation set includes at least one representation, wherein each representation includes at least one segment, and wherein the MPD provides information that enables the client to switch from one representation to another representation to adapt to a network condition.

- 147. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities have been used to infringe and continue to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, and 24 of the '373 patent during the pendency of the '373 patent.
- 148. Since at least the time of receiving this Complaint Vudu has had actual notice that it is directly infringing and/or inducing the infringement of the '373 patent.
- 149. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used, marketed, provided to, and/or used by or for each of Defendant's partners, clients, customers, and end users across the country and in this District.
- 150. Upon information and belief, since at least the time of receiving this Complaint, Vudu has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claims 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, and 24 of the '373 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Vudu's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claims 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, and 24 of the '373 patent.
- 151. In particular, Vudu's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Vudu has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Vudu has had actual knowledge of the '373 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '373 patent since at least the time of receiving this Complaint.
- 152. Helios first notified Vudu of Plaintiffs' DASH patent portfolio and Vudu's infringement of the patents in that portfolio via a letter dated August 23, 2018.

- 153. Helios attempted to contact Vudu about Vudu's infringement of Plaintiffs' DASH patents two additional times over the next month. Vudu responded in or around October 2018 with a short letter stating that Vudu would investigate the matter and respond in due course.
- 154. From October 2018 to March 2019, Helios made several attempts to engage Vudu in good-faith discussion to no avail, including several failed attempts to enter into a standard non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") with Vudu to facilitate free discussion between the parties.
- 155. In approximately late-February 2019, at Vudu's request, Helios promptly provided additional information, namely evidence of the conveyance of an exclusive license from Ideahub to Helios.
- 156. Despite the passage of nearly one year, Vudu has avoided participating in substantive licensing discussions with Helios and continues to infringe and/or to induce the infringement of the patents in Plaintiffs' DASH portfolio.
- 157. On information and belief, Vudu's infringement has been and continues to be willful.
 - 158. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Vudu's infringing activities.

COUNT VIII - INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 8,645,562

- 159. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs 1 through 158 are incorporated into this Eighth Claim for Relief.
- 160. On February 4, 2014, the '562 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Apparatus and Method for Providing Streaming Content." A true and correct copy of the '373 patent is attached as Exhibit 15.
- 161. Ideahub is the assignee and owner of the right, title, and interest in and to the '562 patent.

- 162. Helios holds the exclusive right to assert all causes of action arising under the '562 patent and the right to collect any remedies for infringement of it.
- 163. Upon information and belief, Vudu has and continues to induce the direct infringement of at least claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, and 8 of the '562 patent by selling, offering to sell, making, using, and/or providing and causing to be used streaming media content in accordance with the MPEG-DASH standard (the "Accused Instrumentalities"), including one or more videos on demand ("VOD") such as those available at https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/home.

 The preliminary claim chart attached as Exhibit 16 sets forth an exemplary instance of such direct infringement.
- 164. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used to perform methods for providing media, the method comprising: receiving metadata of media, the metadata comprising one or more BaseURL elements; sending a request for a segment of the media using a Uniform Resource Locator (URL) of the segment, the URL being resolved with respect to a BaseURL element; receiving the segment; and decoding and rendering data of the media that is included in the segment, wherein the request is sent using an HTTP GET method, the BaseURL element specifies one or more common locations for segments, and the segment is one of the segments.
- 165. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities have been used to infringe and continue to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, and 8 of the '562 patent during the pendency of the '562 patent.
- 166. Since at least approximately August 23, 2018 Vudu has had actual notice that it is inducing the direct infringement of the '562 patent.

- 167. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used, marketed, provided to, and/or used by or for each of Defendant's partners, clients, customers, and end users across the country and in this District.
- 168. Upon information and belief, since approximately August 23, 2018, Vudu has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, and 8 of the '562 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Vudu's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, and 8 of the '562 patent.
- 169. In particular, Vudu's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Vudu has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Vudu has had actual knowledge of the '562 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '562 patent since approximately August 23, 2018.
- 170. Helios first notified Vudu of Plaintiffs' DASH patent portfolio and Vudu's infringement of the patents in that portfolio via a letter dated August 23, 2018.
- 171. Helios attempted to contact Vudu about Vudu's infringement of Plaintiffs' DASH patents two additional times over the next month. Vudu responded in or around October 2018 with a short letter stating that Vudu would investigate the matter and respond in due course.
- 172. From October 2018 to March 2019, Helios made several attempts to engage Vudu in good-faith discussion to no avail, including several failed attempts to enter into a standard non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") with Vudu to facilitate free discussion between the parties.

- 173. In approximately late-February 2019, at Vudu's request, Helios promptly provided additional information, namely evidence of the conveyance of an exclusive license from Ideahub to Helios.
- 174. Despite the passage of nearly one year, Vudu has avoided participating in substantive licensing discussions with Helios and continues to infringe and/or to induce the infringement of the patents in Plaintiffs' DASH portfolio.
- 175. On information and belief, Vudu's infringement has been and continues to be willful.
 - 176. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Vudu's infringing activities.

COUNT IX – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 8,909,805

- 177. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs 1 through 176 are incorporated into this Ninth Claim for Relief.
- 178. On December 9, 2014, the '805 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Apparatus and Method for Providing Streaming Content." A true and correct copy of the '805 patent is attached as Exhibit 17.
- 179. Ideahub is the assignee and owner of the right, title, and interest in and to the '805 patent.
- 180. Helios holds the exclusive right to assert all causes of action arising under the '805 patent and the right to collect any remedies for infringement of it.
- 181. Upon information and belief, Vudu has and continues to induce the direct infringement of at least claims 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the '805 patent by selling, offering to sell, making, using, and/or providing and causing to be used streaming media content in accordance with the MPEG-DASH standard (the "Accused Instrumentalities"), including one or more videos on demand ("VOD") such as those available at https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/home.

The preliminary claim chart attached as Exhibit 18 sets forth an exemplary instance of such direct infringement.

- 182. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used to perform methods for providing media, the method comprising: receiving metadata of media, the metadata comprising one or more periods; processing the received metadata and extracting information included in the metadata, wherein the metadata includes a range attribute; requesting a segment suitable for a specific interval based on a request for bytes of a resource indicated by a URL that are designated by the range attribute; accessing segments of the media based on information provided by the metadata; decoding and rendering data of the media that is included in the segments; wherein each of the periods comprises one or more representations of the media, wherein each of the representations starts from a beginning point of a period including each of the representation and continues to an ending point of the period, and comprises one or more segments; and wherein determining the start of a first period among one or more period comprises: when a start attribute exists in the first period element of the first period, a start time of the first period is equivalent to a value of the start attribute, when a start attribute does not exist in the first period element of the first period, and when a second period element of the second period includes a duration attribute, the start time of the first period is obtained by adding a value of the duration attribute of the second period element to a start time of the second period, and when a start attribute does not exist in the first period element of the first period, and when the first period is the first of the one or more periods, the start time of the first period is zero.
- 183. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities have been used to infringe and continue to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the '805 patent during the pendency of the '805 patent.

- 184. Since at least approximately August 23, 2018 Vudu has had actual notice that it is inducing the direct infringement of the '805 patent.
- 185. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used, marketed, provided to, and/or used by or for each of Defendant's partners, clients, customers, and end users across the country and in this District.
- 186. Upon information and belief, since approximately August 23, 2018, Vudu has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claims 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the '805 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Vudu's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claims 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the '805 patent.
- 187. In particular, Vudu's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Vudu has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Vudu has had actual knowledge of the '805 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '805 patent since approximately August 23, 2018.
- 188. Helios first notified Vudu of Plaintiffs' DASH patent portfolio and Vudu's infringement of the patents in that portfolio via a letter dated August 23, 2018.
- 189. Helios attempted to contact Vudu about Vudu's infringement of Plaintiffs' DASH patents two additional times over the next month. Vudu responded in or around October 2018 with a short letter stating that Vudu would investigate the matter and respond in due course.

- 190. From October 2018 to March 2019, Helios made several attempts to engage Vudu in good-faith discussion to no avail, including several failed attempts to enter into a standard non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") with Vudu to facilitate free discussion between the parties.
- 191. In approximately late-February 2019, at Vudu's request, Helios promptly provided additional information, namely evidence of the conveyance of an exclusive license from Ideahub to Helios.
- 192. Despite the passage of nearly one year, Vudu has avoided participating in substantive licensing discussions with Helios and continues to infringe and/or to induce the infringement of the patents in Plaintiffs' DASH portfolio.
- 193. On information and belief, Vudu's infringement has been and continues to be willful.
 - 194. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Vudu's infringing activities.

COUNT X – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 9,325,558

- 195. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs 1 through 194 are incorporated into this Tenth Claim for Relief.
- 196. On April 26, 2016, the '558 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Apparatus and Method for Providing Streaming Content." A true and correct copy of the '558 patent is attached as Exhibit 19.
- 197. Ideahub is the assignee and owner of the right, title, and interest in and to the '558 patent.
- 198. Helios holds the exclusive right to assert all causes of action arising under the '558 patent and the right to collect any remedies for infringement of it.
- 199. Upon information and belief, Vudu has and continues to induce the direct infringement of at least claims 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the '558 patent by selling, offering to sell,

making, using, and/or providing and causing to be used streaming media content in accordance with the MPEG-DASH standard (the "Accused Instrumentalities"), including one or more videos on demand ("VOD") such as those available at https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/home.

The preliminary claim chart attached as Exhibit 20 sets forth an exemplary instance of such direct infringement.

- 200. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used to perform methods for providing media content including one or more periods, the method comprising: receiving metadata of the media content from a server, the metadata comprising a minBufferTime attribute indicating a minimum amount of initially buffered media content that is required to ensure playout of the media content, the minBufferTime attribute being defined in segment unit, wherein the metadata is a media presentation description (MPD) that provides descriptive information that enables a client to select one or more representations; receiving the media content from the server, and buffering the received media content by at least the minimum amount; and playing back the media content, wherein the minBufferTime attribute relates to the one or more periods, and wherein the minBufferTime attribute relates to providing a minimum amount of initially buffered media at a beginning of a media presentation, at a beginning of the one or more periods of the media presentation, or at any random access point of the media presentation.
- 201. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities have been used to infringe and continue to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the '558 patent during the pendency of the '558 patent.
- 202. Since approximately August 23, 2018, Vudu has had actual notice that it is inducing the direct infringement of the '558 patent.

- 203. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used, marketed, provided to, and/or used by or for each of Defendant's partners, clients, customers, and end users across the country and in this District.
- 204. Upon information and belief, since approximately August 23, 2018, Vudu has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claims 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the '558 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Vudu's partners and customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claims 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the '558 patent.
- 205. In particular, Vudu's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Vudu has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Vudu has had actual knowledge of the '558 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '558 patent since approximately August 23, 2018.
- 206. Helios first notified Vudu of Plaintiffs' DASH patent portfolio and Vudu's infringement of the patents in that portfolio via a letter dated August 23, 2018.
- 207. Helios attempted to contact Vudu about Vudu's infringement of Plaintiffs' DASH patents two additional times over the next month. Vudu responded in or around October 2018 with a short letter stating that Vudu would investigate the matter and respond in due course.
- 208. From October 2018 to March 2019, Helios made several attempts to engage Vudu in good-faith discussion to no avail, including several failed attempts to enter into a standard non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") with Vudu to facilitate free discussion between the parties.

- 209. In approximately late-February 2019, at Vudu's request, Helios promptly provided additional information, namely evidence of the conveyance of an exclusive license from Ideahub to Helios.
- 210. Despite the passage of nearly one year, Vudu has avoided participating in substantive licensing discussions with Helios and continues to infringe and/or to induce the infringement of the patents in Plaintiffs' DASH portfolio.
- 211. On information and belief, Vudu's infringement has been and continues to be willful.
 - 212. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Vudu's infringing activities.

COUNT XI – INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 9,467,493

- 213. The allegations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs 1 through 212 are incorporated into this Eleventh Claim for Relief.
- 214. On October 11, 2016, the '493 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office under the title "Apparatus and Method for Providing Streaming Content." A true and correct copy of the '493 patent is attached as Exhibit 21.
- 215. Ideahub is the assignee and owner of the right, title, and interest in and to the '493 patent.
- 216. Helios holds the exclusive right to assert all causes of action arising under the '493 patent and the right to collect any remedies for infringement of it.
- 217. Upon information and belief, Vudu has and continues to induce the direct infringement of at least claims 1, 2, and 4 of the '493 patent by selling, offering to sell, making, using, and/or providing and causing to be used streaming media content in accordance with the MPEG-DASH standard (the "Accused Instrumentalities"), including one or more videos on demand ("VOD") such as those available at https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/home.

The preliminary claim chart attached as Exhibit 22 sets forth an exemplary instance of such direct infringement.

- 218. Upon information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used to perform methods for providing media, the methods comprising: receiving metadata of media, the metadata comprising one or more BaseURL elements; sending a request for a segment of the media using a Uniform Resource Locator (URL) of the segment, the URL being resolved with respect to a BaseURL element; receiving the segment; and decoding and rendering data of the media that is included in the segment, wherein the metadata selectively comprises a sourceURL attribute of the segment, and wherein, when the metadata selectively comprises the sourceURL attribute of the segment, a BaseURL element among the BaseURL elements is mapped to the sourceURL attribute, so that the URL is generated.
- 219. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities have been used to infringe and continue to directly infringe at least claims 1, 2, and 4 of the '493 patent during the pendency of the '493 patent.
- 220. Since approximately August 23, 2018, Vudu has had actual notice that it is inducing the direct infringement of the '493 patent.
- 221. On information and belief, the Accused Instrumentalities are used, marketed, provided to, and/or used by or for each of Defendant's partners, clients, customers, and end users across the country and in this District.
- 222. Upon information and belief, since approximately August 23, 2018, has induced and continues to induce others to infringe at least claims 1, 2, and 4 of the '493 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) by, among other things, and with specific intent or willful blindness, actively aiding and abetting others to infringe, including but not limited to Vudu's partners and

customers, whose use of the Accused Instrumentalities constitutes direct infringement of at least claims 1, 2, and 4 of the '493 patent.

- 223. In particular, Vudu's actions that aid and abet others such as their partners and customers to infringe include distributing the Accused Instrumentalities and providing materials and/or services related to the Accused Instrumentalities. On information and belief, Vudu has engaged in such actions with specific intent to cause infringement or with willful blindness to the resulting infringement because Vudu has had actual knowledge of the '493 patent and that its acts were inducing infringement of the '493 patent since approximately August 23, 2018.
- 224. Helios first notified Vudu of Plaintiffs' DASH patent portfolio and Vudu's infringement of the patents in that portfolio via a letter dated August 23, 2018.
- 225. Helios attempted to contact Vudu about Vudu's infringement of Plaintiffs' DASH patents two additional times over the next month. Vudu responded in or around October 2018 with a short letter stating that Vudu would investigate the matter and respond in due course.
- 226. From October 2018 to March 2019, Helios made several attempts to engage Vudu in good-faith discussion to no avail, including several failed attempts to enter into a standard non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") with Vudu to facilitate free discussion between the parties.
- 227. In approximately late-February 2019, at Vudu's request, Helios promptly provided additional information, namely evidence of the conveyance of an exclusive license from Ideahub to Helios.
- 228. Despite the passage of nearly one year, Vudu has avoided participating in substantive licensing discussions with Helios and continues to infringe and/or to induce the infringement of the patents in Plaintiffs' DASH portfolio.

- 229. On information and belief, Vudu's infringement has been and continues to be willful.
 - 230. Plaintiffs have been harmed by Vudu's infringing activities.

STATEMENT REGARDING FRAND OBLIGATION

- 231. Plaintiffs contend that, pursuant to relevant ISO and IEC guidelines, bylaws, and policies, many of the claims of the Asserted Patents are subject to Fair, Reasonable, and Non-Discriminatory ("FRAND") licensing obligations to willing licensees.
- 232. To the extent Vudu refuses to willingly take a license under such claims of the Asserted Patents under FRAND terms, Plaintiffs reserve the right to treat Vudu as an unwilling licensee, such that Plaintiffs would not be bound by any FRAND licensing obligation for purposes of this action or any license to Vudu. Accordingly, Plaintiffs seek the maximum available reasonable royalty damages to compensate for Vudu's infringing activities.

JURY DEMAND

Pursuant to Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiffs demand a trial by jury on all issues triable as such.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs demand judgment for itself and against Vudu as follows:

- A. An adjudication that Vudu has infringed each of the Asserted Patents;
- B. An award of damages to be paid by Vudu adequate to compensate Plaintiffs for Vudu's past infringement of each of the Asserted Patents, and any continuing or future infringement through the date such judgment is entered, including interest, costs, expenses and an accounting of all infringing acts including, but not limited to, those acts not presented at trial;
- C. A declaration that this case is exceptional under 35 U.S.C. § 285, and an award of Plaintiffs' reasonable attorneys' fees; and

D. An award to Plaintiffs of such further relief at law or in equity as the Court deems just and proper.

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